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SUBJ: VISIT TO JAKARTA OF PNG COMMISSIONER-

DESIGNATE TO US P N MATANE

1. MATANE VISITED PNG COMMISSION JAKARTA LAST WEEK, BASICALLY TO REVIEW PROCUDURES AND PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN OPENING A COMMISSION. WE UNDERSTAND HE DEPARTED JAKARTA SUNDAY TO RETURN TO PORT MORESBY.

2. DURING WEEK, PNG COMMISSION HERE ARRANGED FOR MATANE TO CALL ON AMBASSADOR AND INVITED AMBASSADOR AND OTHER MISSION OFFICERS TO RECEPTION IN MATANE'S HONOR ON FEBRUARY 17. (AMBASSADOR UNFORTUNATELY UNABLE ATTAND AND INVITATIONS FOR OTHERS ARRIVED AFTER MANY HAD TAKEN OFF ON THREE DAY WEEKEND. IT IS POSSIBLE, THEREFORE THAT MATANE AND COLLEAGUES MAY HAVE BEEN A LITTLE MIFFED THOUGH WE SOUGHT TO OVERCOME ANY SUCH FEELINGS IN SUBSEQUENT CONTACTS). WE RECIPROCATED WITH LUNCHEON AT DCM RESIDENCE ON FEB 21.

3. DISCUSSIONS WITH AMBASSADOR AND AT LUNCHEON CENTERED ON PROBLEMS OF ESTABLISHING AND OPERATING FOREIGN MISSION
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IN WASHINGTON, PRIMARY CONTACT POINTS IN DEPARTMENT,

ETC. WE ALSO PROVIDED MATANE WITH VARIOUS INFORMATION INCLUDING USIS VISITORS PACK AND DEPT PHONE DIRECTORY AS OF POSSIBLE USE. MATANE APPEARED GRATEFUL AND SAID HE ALSO LOOKING FORWARD TO FOLLOWING UP HIS PREVIOUS CONTACTS WITH CONGEN PRIOR TO DEPARTING PORT MORESBY FOR WASHINGTON IN APRIL.

4. AS OF POSSIBLE INTERST TO CONGEN, WE FOUND MATANE INTELLIENT, EAGER TO LEARN AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE ABOUT INGTICACIES OF DIPLOMATIC LIFE IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK BEFORE DEPARTING, CONSCIOUS OF NEED TO "EDUCATE" AMERICANS ABOUT PNG AND ALSO SLIGHTLY APPREHENSIVE THAT AMERICANS MAY CONSIDER PNG (AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES) AS PRIMATIVE AND BACKWARD.

5. LETTER FOLLOWS GIVING MORE BACKGROUND AND DETAILS ON OUR CONTACTS WITH MATANE.
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